

How to Create a Vue.Js App with VS Code and Deploy to Sap Netweaver BSP Stack



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Hi,

In this post I would like to show you how create a Vue.js app with VS Code and how to deploy it SAP Netweaver.

As you probably already know, you can do Fiori development with Visual Studio Code and you can easily deploy it to SAP. So instead of Web IDE you can use VS Code. [Here is a blog post for VSCode Fiori development.](#)



SAP lets you use any javascript framework for your developments. It suggests to use Fiori but you are definitely not limited to Fiori. And in this short post, I will show you how

to create a Vue.js app and how to run it from SAP, as same as you would do with Fiori.

And I will create another blog post to show you, [how you can create a rest web api with abap](#) and consume it with vue app. So instead of oData and Fiori, you can use faster approach for creating backend services and Vue to create interface.

Okay, lets start.

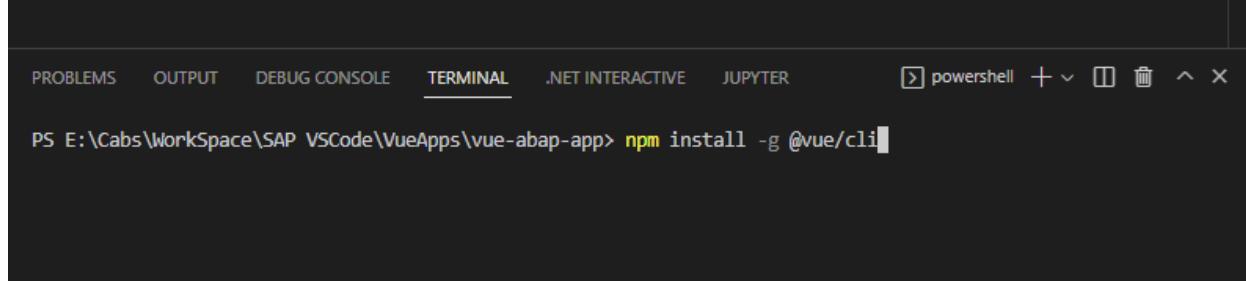
We need to install VSCode and NPM.

[Download VSCode – link.](#)

[Download NodeJS – link.](#)

Open VS Code and open a terminal window and run

```
npm install -g @vue/cli
```



restart vscode.

Open a terminal window again and go to your workspace folder to create the app and app folder with following command. And choose V3.

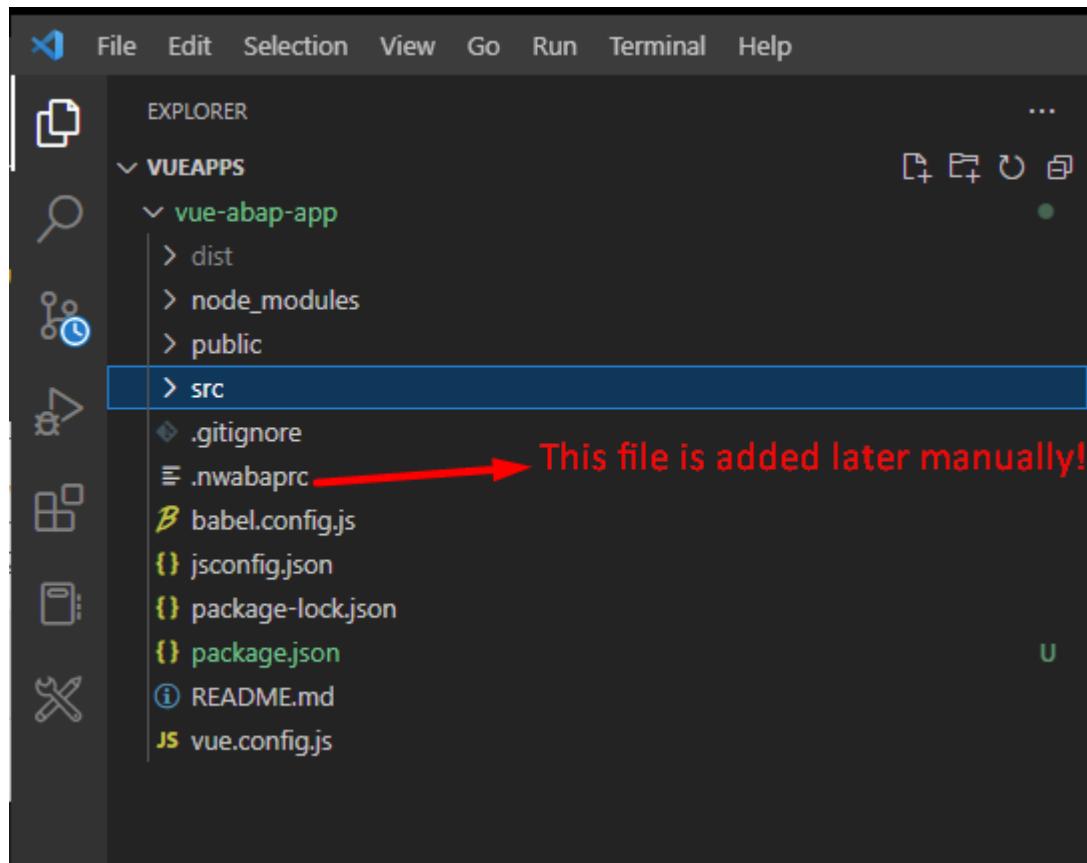
```
vue create vue-abap-app
```

if you get following error -> **File C:\Users\xxx\AppData\Roaming\npm\vue.ps1 cannot be loaded**

because running scripts is disabled on this system. For more information, see

Run Set-ExecutionPolicy RemoteSigned and re-try **vue create vue-abap-app**

This time you should see new folder and files in your workspace.



Now you can run Vue app. Go to vue-abap-app folder and run.

```
cd .\vue-abap-app\  
npm run serve
```

You can open a browser and enter following URLs to reach Vue app.

- Local: <http://localhost:8080/>
- Network: <http://192.168.93.237:8080/>

You should see screen below.

Our app is ready and running. To stop npm server go to vscode terminal and pres **ctrl + c** and yes ro stop server.

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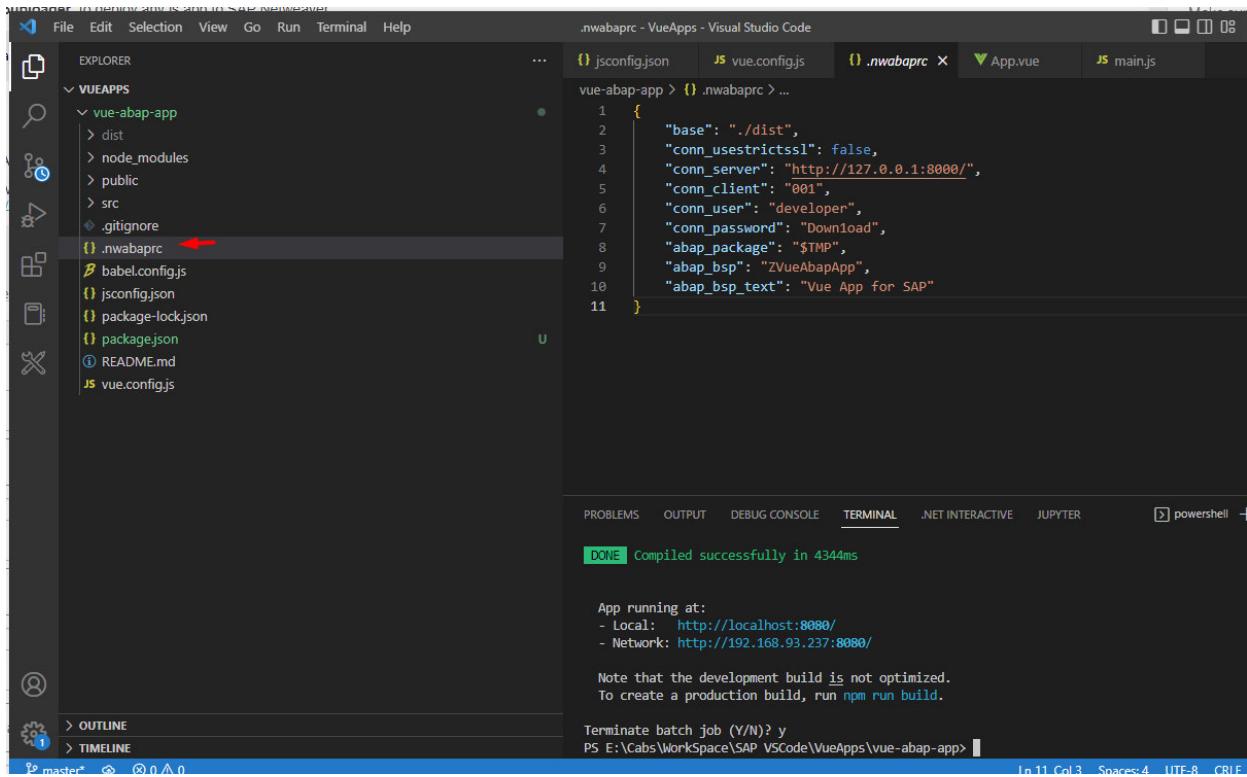
App running at:
- Local: http://localhost:8080/
- Network: http://192.168.93.237:8080/
To Stop
CTRL + C
Y
Enter

Terminate batch job (Y/N)? y
```

Now we need to install another tool, **ui5uploader**, to deploy any js app to SAP Netweaver.

```
npm install -g nwabap-ui5uploader
```

go to root folder of your app and create a '**.nwabaprc**' file.



```

1  {
2    "base": "./dist",
3    "conn_usestrictssl": false,
4    "conn_server": "http://127.0.0.1:8000/",
5    "conn_client": "001",
6    "conn_user": "developer",
7    "conn_password": "Download",
8    "abap_package": "$TMP",
9    "abap_bsp": "ZVueAbapApp",
10   "abap_bsp_text": "Vue App for SAP"
11 }

```

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DONE Compiled successfully in 4344ms

App running at:
- Local: <http://localhost:8080>
- Network: <http://192.168.93.237:8080>

Note that the development build is not optimized.
To create a production build, run `npm run build`.

Terminate batch job (Y/N)? y
PS E:\Cabs\WorkSpace\SAP VSCODE\VueApps\vue-abap-app>

Content can be like below, details of SAP connection and publication.

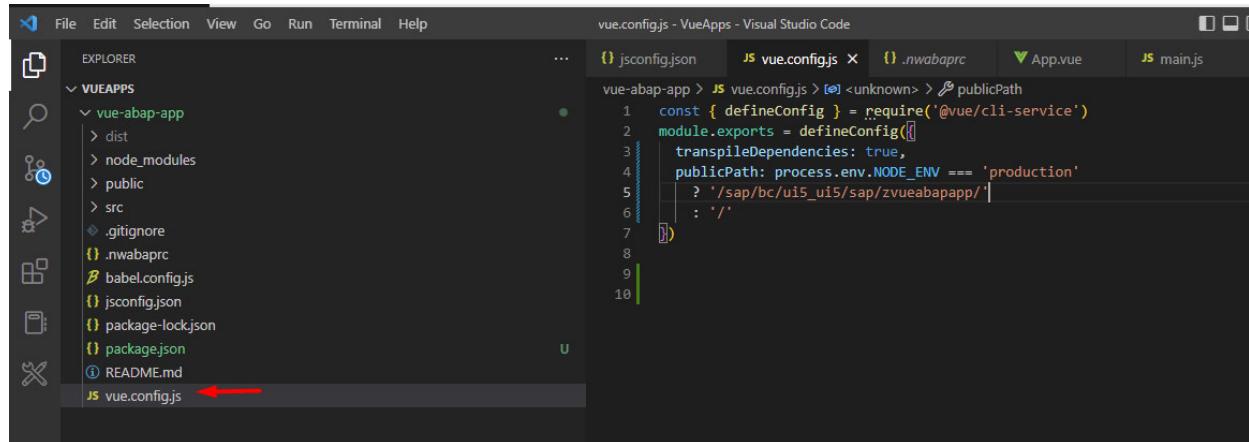
I will be publishing it to my SAP server which runs on Ubuntu virtualbox. That is developer edition. [Here is a link with video tutorial if you want to install SAP at home](#) 😊

```
{
  "base": "./dist",
  "conn_usestrictssl": false,
  "conn_server": "http://127.0.0.1:8000/",
  "conn_client": "001",
  "conn_user": "developer",
  "conn_password": "Download",
  "abap_package": "$TMP",
  "abap_bsp": "ZVueAbapApp",
  "abap_bsp_text": "Vue App for SAP"
}
```

Before we build and deploy we need to make sure, we provide production path for source files. Our app will be running on SAP with URL address of 'http://127.0.0.1:8000/sap/bc/ui5_ui5/sap/zvueabapapp/index.html?sap-client=001'. We need to tell vue to look sources under '/sap/bc/ui5_ui5/sap/zvueabapapp/'. Open vue config.js and add following code.

```
publicPath: process.env.NODE_ENV === 'production'
? '/sap/bc/ui5_ui5/sap/zvueabapapp/'
: '/'
```

It should look like below.



Note: that app name is determined in '.nwabaprc' file. If you change app name please change that part too.

Now time to build again and deploy to SAP.

```
npm run build
```

The terminal window shows the following output:

```
Terminate batch job (Y/N)? y
PS E:\Cabs\WorkSpace\SAP VSCode\VueApps\vue-abap-app> npm run build

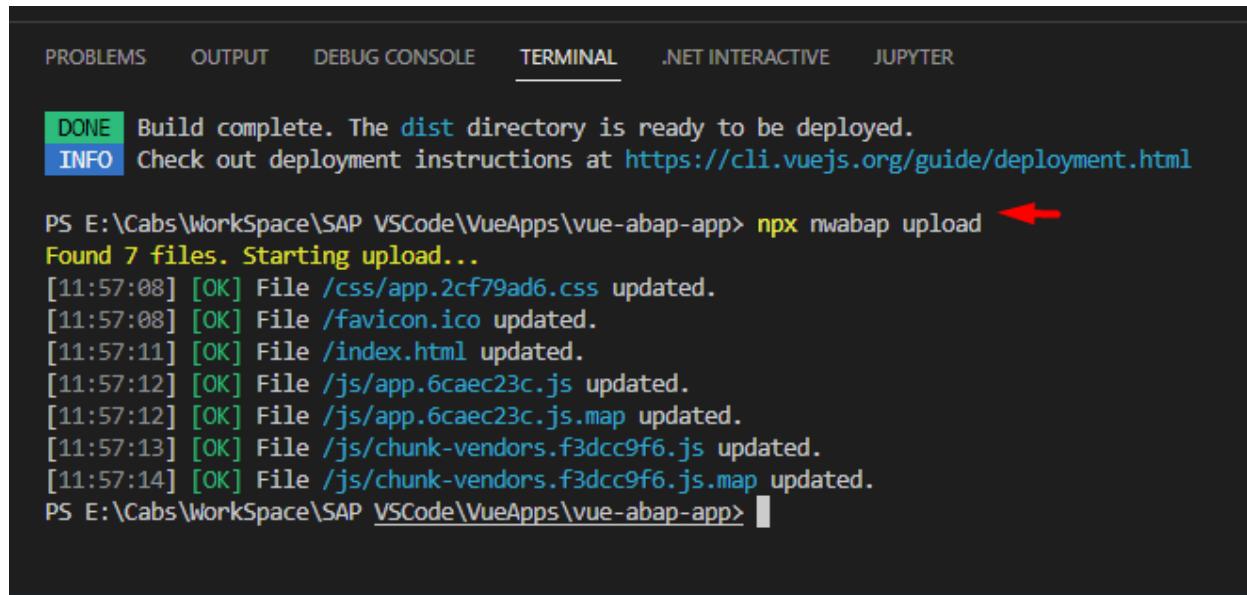
> vue-abap-app@0.1.0 build
> vue-cli-service build

All browser targets in the browserslist configuration have supported ES module.
Therefore we don't build two separate bundles for differential loading.

:: Building for production...
```

And deploy to SAP

```
npx nwabap upload
```



```
PROBLEMS    OUTPUT    DEBUG CONSOLE    TERMINAL    .NET INTERACTIVE    JUPYTER

DONE Build complete. The dist directory is ready to be deployed.
INFO Check out deployment instructions at https://cli.vuejs.org/guide/deployment.html

PS E:\Cabs\WorkSpace\SAP VSCode\VueApps\vue-abap-app> npx nwabap upload ←
Found 7 files. Starting upload...
[11:57:08] [OK] File /css/app.2cf79ad6.css updated.
[11:57:08] [OK] File /favicon.ico updated.
[11:57:11] [OK] File /index.html updated.
[11:57:12] [OK] File /js/app.6caec23c.js updated.
[11:57:12] [OK] File /js/app.6caec23c.js.map updated.
[11:57:13] [OK] File /js/chunk-vendors.f3dcc9f6.js updated.
[11:57:14] [OK] File /js/chunk-vendors.f3dcc9f6.js.map updated.
PS E:\Cabs\WorkSpace\SAP VSCode\VueApps\vue-abap-app>
```

Now, we can see our app in BSPs on SAP.

The screenshot shows the SAP Web Application Builder interface. The title bar reads "Web Application Builder: Display Page ZVUEABAPAPP". The toolbar contains various icons for file operations like Open, Save, Print, and Help. A menu bar includes "BSP Page", "Edit", "Goto", "Utilities", "Environment", "System", and "Help". Below the toolbar is a toolbar with icons for connectivity, repository, and other tools.

The main area displays a list of objects under the "Local Objects" dropdown, which is set to "DEVELOPER". The list includes:

- \$TMP DEVELOPER
 - Local Packages
 - Dictionary Objects
 - Class Library
 - Programs
- BSP Library
 - BSP Applications
 - ZBMDEV
 - ZDEMOBOPF
 - ZVUEABAPAPP
 - Pages with Flow Logic
 - index.html
 - Page Fragments
 - css
 - app.2cf79ad6.css
 - js
 - app.6caec23c.js
 - app.6caec23c.js.map
 - UIS40CDE2E995FE60657E506E0654BF2BFF6764B211
 - UISBBEB58438CDAD94F2FC251E0888952E8E3F17A62
 - UISRepositoryPathMapping.xml
 - MIMEs
 - favicon.ico
 - GW Service Builder Projects

The "ZVUEABAPAPP" folder is expanded, showing its contents: "Pages with Flow Logic" containing "index.html", "Page Fragments" containing "css" (with "app.2cf79ad6.css") and "js" (with "app.6caec23c.js" and "app.6caec23c.js.map"), and "MIMEs" containing "favicon.ico". The "index.html" file is highlighted in yellow, indicating it is selected or the current page being viewed.

And also in SICF and test it from there.

The screenshot shows the SAP Define Services interface. In the top navigation bar, there are tabs for Service/Host, Edit, Goto, Client, System, and Help. Below the tabs is a toolbar with various icons for file operations like New, Open, Save, Print, and Delete.

The main area is titled "Define Services". At the top left, there are buttons for "Create Host/Service" and "External Aliases", along with a "System Monitor Active" indicator.

A "Filter Details" section contains fields for Virtual Host, Service Path, ServiceName (set to "Z*"), Description, Lang. (set to EN), and Ref.Service. Below these are buttons for "Apply", "Reset", and "Fine-Tune".

The central part of the screen shows a tree view of "Virtual Hosts / Services". The tree structure is as follows:

- default_host
 - sap
 - bc
 - bsp
 - rest
 - ui5_ui5
 - sap
 - zbdmdev
 - zdemoabap_ch
 - zdemobopf
 - zdemo_appr_po
 - zdemo_ovp
 - zdemo_prodman
 - zdemo_shop
 - zvueabapapp** (highlighted in red)
 - opu

On the right side of the interface, there are three columns: "Documentation" and "Reference Service" (both empty for most entries) and a "sap Namespace for SAPUI5 Applications" entry which includes a link to "Split App through VSCode App".

A context menu is open over the "zvueabapapp" node under the "sap" sub-element of "ui5_ui5". The menu options are:

 - New Sub-Element
 - Display Service
 - Delete Service
 - Rename Service
 - Activate Service
 - Deactivate Service
 - Test Service** (highlighted in yellow)
 - References to Service
 - Obj. Directory Entry
 - Cut
 - Copy
 - Paste

Browser will open and should like exactly same as as the page served from local server.

http://vhcalnplci:8000/sap/bc/ui5_ui5/sap/zvueabapapp/index.html?sap-client=001

← → C Not secure | vhcalnplci:8000/sap/bc/ui5_ui5/sap/zvueabapapp/index.html?sap-client=001 » | Other bookmarks

Welcome to Your Vue.js App

For a guide and recipes on how to configure / customize this project,
check out the [vue-cli documentation](#).

Installed CLI Plugins

[babel](#) [eslint](#)

Essential Links

[Core Docs](#) [Forum](#) [Community Chat](#) [Twitter](#) [News](#)

Ecosystem

[vue-router](#) [vuex](#) [vue-devtools](#) [vue-loader](#) [awesome-vue](#)

That is it.

Very simply you can do Vue development and publish it to SAP Netweaver.

In next post, I will show how to create a rest api with abap and use it with vue. I personally don't like oData. I think rest is much more practical and easier to develop and extend. [Read my blog on MVC1 applied rest api](#). And unfortunately same is true for Fiori. Vue is much more elegant and easier to understand and develop compare to Fiori. Therefore if I can choose one, I will choose Rest + Vue combination.

[Here is the final blog of series -> Vue.js & Rest Api on Sap Abap Netweaver](#)

Hope that is helpful for you.

Feel free to comment.

Regards.

Tags:

[restapi](#) [vscode](#) [vue.js](#)

Comments



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9:11 AM

All Codes and related links.

```
npm install -g @vue/cli

restart vscode

vue create vue-abap-app

* on Error -> vue : File C:\Users\xxx\AppData\Roaming\npm\vue
  because running scripts is disabled on this system. F
  https://stackoverflow.com/questions/57673913/vsc-pow
* Solution -> Set-ExecutionPolicy RemoteSigned

cd .\vue-abap-app\
npm run serve

- Local: http://localhost:8080/
- Network: http://192.168.93.237:8080/

For syntax highlight install Vue Language Features(Volar) Extension

ctrl+c to terminate running server

npm install -g nwabap-ui5uploader

npm run build

go to project root folder and create .nwabaprc file

{

  "base": "./dist",
  "conn_usestrictssl": false,
  "conn_server": "http://127.0.0.1:8000/",
  "conn_client": "001",
  "conn_user": "developer",
  "conn_password": "Down1oad",
  "abap_package": "$TMP",
  "abap_bsp": "ZVueAbapApp",
  "abap_bsp_text": "Vue App for SAP"
}

npx nwabap upload
```

Open page from Sap BSP Stack

```
http://vhcalnplci:8000/sap/bc/ui5_ui5/sap/zvueabapapp/index.html?  
http://127.0.0.1:8000/sap/bc/ui5_ui5/sap/zvueabapapp/index.html?<br>-> Error on browser  
* DevTools failed to load source map: Could not load content
```

vue.config.js

```
publicPath: process.env.NODE_ENV === 'production'  
? '/sap/bc/ui5_ui5/sap/zvueabapapp/'  
: '/'  
  
const { defineConfig } = require('@vue/cli-service')  
module.exports = defineConfig({  
  transpileDependencies: true,  
  publicPath: process.env.NODE_ENV === 'production'  
  ? '/sap/bc/ui5_ui5/sap/zvueabapapp/'  
  : '/'  
})
```



dukejib5 Participant

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8:04 AM

Hi,

Is there a specific reason to use vue-cli?

cause recommended is

```
npm init vue@latest
```

EDIT:

I just created a project with

```
npm init vue@latest
```

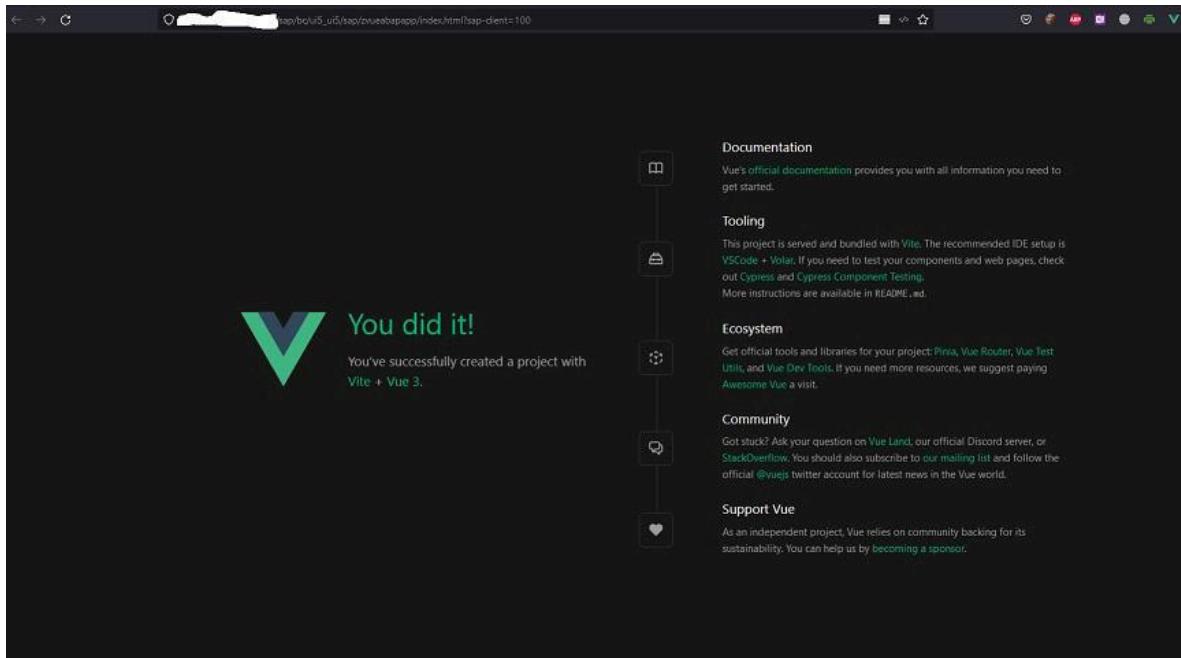
Only difference is that this installation use vite.config.js instead of vue.config.js and uses **base** instead of **publicPath**

```
import { fileURLToPath, URL } from 'node:url'

import { defineConfig } from 'vite'
import vue from '@vitejs/plugin-vue'

// https://vitejs.dev/config/
export default defineConfig({
  plugins: [vue()],
  resolve: {
    alias: {
      '@': fileURLToPath(new URL('./src', import.meta.url))
    }
  },
  base: process.env.NODE_ENV === 'production'
    ? '/sap/bc/ui5_ui5/sap/zvueabapapp'
    : '/'
})
```

Hope this helps 😊



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11:07 AM

Hi Ali,

You are free to use any tool you want. SAP BSP is basically running on J2EE server. Therefore you can publish anything that you would publish on Tomcat server.



former_member661849 Explorer

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what's happened

problem



former_member661849 Explorer

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i use the command npx nwabap upload ,but cause the problem "TypeError: Cannot read properties of undefined (reading 'statusCode')"

```
PS D:\Java\nodejs\abap\vue-abap-app> npx nwabap upload
Found 7 files. Starting upload...
D:\Java\nodejs\abap\vue-abap-app\node_modules\nwabap-ui5uploader\lib\filestore.js:134
  if (aResult[1].statusCode === util.HTTPSTAT.not_found) {
    ^
TypeError: Cannot read properties of undefined (reading 'statusCode')
  at D:\Java\nodejs\abap\vue-abap-app\node_modules\nwabap-ui5uploader\lib\filestore.js:134:24
  at D:\Java\nodejs\abap\vue-abap-app\node_modules\async\dist\async.js:3891:9
  at D:\Java\nodejs\abap\vue-abap-app\node_modules\async\dist\async.js:473:16
  at iterateeCallback (D:\Java\nodejs\abap\vue-abap-app\node_modules\async\dist\async.js:991:17)
  at D:\Java\nodejs\abap\vue-abap-app\node_modules\async\dist\async.js:972:16
  at D:\Java\nodejs\abap\vue-abap-app\node_modules\async\dist\async.js:3888:13
  at D:\Java\nodejs\abap\vue-abap-app\node_modules\nwabap-ui5uploader\lib\filestore.js:104:13
  at Request.handleRequestResponse [as _callback] (D:\Java\nodejs\abap\vue-abap-app\node_modules\unirest\index.js:552:70)
  at Request.self.callback (D:\Java\nodejs\abap\vue-abap-app\node_modules\request\request.js:185:22)
  at Request.emit (node:events:513:28)
```

run the command cause the problem

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bo_xu0 Member

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the same problem is to me, could anybody have soluton?

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